

Welcome to TeleScope!

TeleScope is the newest, most flexible media management system available. With TeleScope you can track your multi-media files (images, graphics, QuickTime movies, digital sounds, etc.) intelligently, wherever they are on your network. This evaluation version of TeleScope gives you all the software required to see TeleScope's benefits for yourself.

Before You Begin...

There are a couple of things you'll need to know before starting to work with this evaluation:

WARNING!!

The evaluation installer that you are about to use will **OVERWRITE** any ODBC preferences you currently have. If you are not currently using ODBC for other products on your Mac, then you don't need to worry about this, and should proceed. If you **ARE** using ODBC, however, and want to save your existing ODBC data sources, drag the following file: "System Folder:Preferences:ODBC Preferences PPC" into a safe place **BEFORE** running this installer. Once you have moved this file, you should proceed with the installation of the TeleScope evaluation.

1: You will be connecting to North Plains' Evaluation Database over the Internet

This means that, for this evaluation to work properly, you will need to have a connection to the internet. A dial-up connection is fine, although transfer rates over a 28.8 modem are a little slow. On most Macintoshes, TeleScope Viewer will automatically start your modem's dial-up process if you aren't already connected via modem. If you have a direct internet connection (through your network at work, for example), this does not apply to you.

2: You will need a user name and password

As you are connecting to the North Plains Evaluation Database, you will be asked for a user name and password. There is a special user defined in our Evaluation Database, with the user name "**demo**" and the password "**demo**" (without the quotation marks) that you can use for connecting to the database.

3: You will be able to add your own files (images, graphics, etc.) to our database

That's right, you can place your own image files into the public North Plains Evaluation Database. To prevent possible misuse of this feature, any files you add will go into a special "in-box" that will be reviewed daily by North Plains, and made publicly available. This means that, although you will be able to see files you have just added to the database, nobody else will until they are made public, and if you do another "find" in the database, your newly-added files will not show up.

4: The "demo" user has been assigned limited privileges.

Because the files in the database are not royalty-free, the demo user (which you use to log in with), has been assigned no editing and downloading privileges. This means that, essentially, the demo database is a browse-only database. If you would like to have a personal user name assigned to you that has more privileges enabled, please contact North Plains Systems Inc. at the address above.

Running the TeleScope Evaluation

To begin using TeleScope after installation, simply double-click on the TeleScope Viewer icon inside the TeleScope Folder on your hard drive. The software installed by this installer is a fully-functional version of TeleScope, with the exception that the software is time-limited, and will expire after 15 days from the first usage.

Included in the installed TeleScope Folder, is a "Eval Instructions.pdf" file, which contains brief, easy-to-follow instructions on how to use the various features of TeleScope. You will need Adobe's Acrobat Viewer or Acrobat Exchange software to view this file - if you do not have this software already, it is available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.adobe.com>.

Thank-you for your interest in TeleScope!

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